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25X1COUNTRY **East Germany** REPORTTOPIC **Soviet Troop Trains**EVALUATION **25X1** PLACE OBTAINED **25X1**DATE OF CONTENT **25X1**DATE OBTAINED **25X1** DATE PREPARED **23 September 1953**REFERENCES **25X1**PAGES **3** ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)REMARKS **25X1**

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CB - Converted Boxcar; B - Boxcar; F - Flatcar

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1. **troop trains** **between 4 and 10**  
September 1953:25X1 Date in Composition of From To  
25X1 September Troop Trains

|      |    |                                 |   |                           |
|------|----|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| 25X1 | 4  | 9 B, 25 F                       | Justerbog- Altes Lager                  | Zehdenick                 |
|      | 6  | 15 B, 15 F                      | " " "                                   | "                         |
|      | 8  | 17 F, 4 empty CB,<br>23 empty F | Breddin                                 | Justerbog-<br>Altes Lager |
|      |    | 42 F, 7 empty B,<br>8 empty F   | Gloewen                                 | Forst Zinna               |
|      | 9  | 43 F                            | "                                       | "                         |
|      |    | 11 B, 30 F                      | "                                       | "                         |
|      |    | 12 B, 29 F                      | Rathenow                                | Wuensdorf                 |
| 25X1 |    | 4 CB, 51 F; empty               | Justerbog                               | Breddin                   |
| 25X1 |    | 7 B, 50 F; empty                | Forst Zinna                             | Gloewen                   |
|      | 10 | 10 B, 19 F<br>4 B, 18 F         | Treuenbrietzen<br>Justerbog-Altes Lager | Weimar<br>Wolmirstedt     |
|      |    | 11 B, 30 F; empty               | Luckenwalde                             | Wittenberge               |
| 25X1 |    | 26 F                            | Frankfurt/Oder                          | Rathenow                  |

2. **Troop trains** **between 4 and 8 September included:**

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| Date in September | Composition of Troop Trains | From                            | To                    |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 25X1 4            | 9 B, 25 F                   | Jueterbog-Altes Lager Zehdenick |                       |
| 7                 | 15 B, 25 F                  | " " "                           |                       |
| 25X1 8            | 4 B, 28 F                   | Breddin                         | Jueterbog-Altes Lager |
|                   |                             | Gloewen                         | Forst Zinna           |
| 25X1              | 7 B, 42 F                   | "                               |                       |
|                   | 17 B, 43 F                  | "                               |                       |

3. Troop trains [redacted] 7 and 9 September included:

| Date in September | Composition of Troop Trains | From                  | To          |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| 25X1 7            | 2 CB, 2 B, 8 F              | Neustadt/Dosse        | Trebbin     |
|                   | 3 CB, 3 B                   | "                     | "           |
|                   | 15 CB, 2 B, 20 F            | Rathenow              | Aken        |
| 9                 | 5 CB, 1 B, 24 F             | Treuenbrietzen        | Weimar      |
|                   | 5 CB, 1 B, 10 F             | Rathenow              | Schwerin    |
|                   | 3 CB, 1 B, 22 F             | Jueterbog-Altes Lager | Wolmirstedt |

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4. [redacted] troop trains were loaded at Jueterbog-Altes Lager between 4 and 9 September:

| Date in September | Composition of Troop Trains |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| 25X1              |                             |
| 25X1 4            | 7 CB, 9 B, 25 F             |
| 5                 | 11 CB, 7 B, 61 F            |
| 6                 | 8 CB, 8 B, 29 F             |
| 9                 | 3 CB, 9 B, 22 F             |

5. [redacted] from Melzow, troop trains were dispatched to Finsterwalde on 12 and 14 August, to Damgarten on 29, 30 and 31 August [redacted] and to Parchim on 4 and 9 September.<sup>6</sup>

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25X1 1. [redacted] Comment.

25X1 [redacted] The two troop trains reported in the present report probably carried components of the 63rd AAA Div (US) returning to Templin which, on 13 and 14 July 1953, went from Zehdenick to Jueterbog on the troop trains [redacted]

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25X1 2. [redacted] Comment. The troop trains probably belonged to the return movement of headquarters units of the Third Gds Mecz Army which moved from Forst Zinna and Luckenwalde to Angermuende on 26, 27 and 28 August 1953 and participated in a command-post exercise in the Mecklenburg area. It is not yet known whether this movement also included a unit, probably of the GOFG, which went from Rathenow to Wuensdorf on a troop train [redacted]

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25X1 3. [redacted] Comment. On 20 August 1953, an unidentified unit from Weimar moved to Treuenbrietzen. On 9 September 1953, the unit probably returned to its home station.

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25X1 4. [redacted] Comment. The train possibly carried AAA components of the 10th Gds Tank Div which, on 26 August 1953, arrived at Jueterbog from Wolmirstedt on the troop train [redacted] It cannot definitely be interpreted whether the return movement included one or two trains.

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5. [redacted] Comment. On 23 August 1953, the troop train [redacted] went from Aken to Rathenow carrying a unit which has not been identified. [redacted] On 7 September 1953, the unit probably returned to its home station.

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25X1 6. [redacted] Comment. The troop trains from Welzow airfield to Finsterwalde  
25X1 airfield on 12 and 14 August 1953 are reported for the first time. [redacted]  
25X1 [redacted] the ground unit of an unidentified  
25X1 fighter regiment stationed at Puettnitz airfield moved to Damgarten on  
25X1 the troop trains [redacted]  
25X1 [redacted] The two troop trains to Parchim possibly carried  
elements of the ground units reported in the reference report; until  
late July 1953, the regiment entrained at Welzow was stationed at  
Parchim airfield.

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